

Anarchist Agitators

Information & correspondence organ of the Social-Revolutionary Anarchist Federation

PARIS, FRANCE:

Dear friend,

Please would you find somebody to make a traduction of this. Also tell us in which language would you like we write to you. About the "congress": We would like to have a delegation for all United States and the representents instead of the individualities. The "congress" will be serious, we don't like to have the folkloric or the drugged men.

CRIFA--Preparation Commission for the 3rd Congress of the IFA Secretariat.

Paris, February 16, 1976

TO: Member Federations of the IFA Federations, Groups & Individuals wishing to adhere.

Comrades,

The 3rd congress of the IFA will be held in November, 1976, probably in France. The exact date and place will be announced directly and exclusively to delegates, whose names & addresses must be sent to this Commission before September, 1976.

Please find enclosed the agenda elaborated by the Commission, Feb. 7, 1976, describing the project of the CRIFA and the suggestions which they have arrived at up to the date indicated.

The deadline for receipt of written reports, motions and positions on different points of the agenda is May 31, 1976. The Commission, as much as possible, will translate & publish in several languages these documents & send them to interested persons before the end of August, 1976. It is desirable that documents submitted to this Commission be drawn up in French or Spanish.

New members--including federations (one per country) and groups or individuals (in countries where no recognized federation is constituted)--are requested to present their application before the end of April, 1976.

The recipients of this notice are implored to acknowledge receipt & notify the Commission, as soon as possible, their desire and their decision to participate in the congress, in order that the necessary preparations for better organization may be made.

Only those delegates of groups, or individuals who express the intention to join the IFA and which are duly presented by one of the federations of the IFA & bearing their seal, will be admitted to the congress and receive full rights to participate. Observers will be admitted.

Comrades, time presses. Act quickly! Use the following addresses to respond to this notice: CNT (b), 33 rue des Vignoles, 75020 Paris, or Grigoroff, 20 bis, rue Tourlaque, 75018 Paris.

Fraternal salutations! For the Commission, the Secretary (seal).

AGENDA of the 3rd Congress IFA

1. Verification of credentials (nomination of a commission);
2. Report and balance sheet of the activities of CRIFA;
3. Report of delegates on the situation in their countries & the activiteis of the movement which they represent & an estimate on the world situation;
4. Ideological bases of anarchism social, organizational, & revolutionary;
5. The dynamic of techno-scientific production, its repercussion on the social & economic plan (role of the multinationals) in relation to the struggle against capitalism & the state and the solidarity of the workers of the world;
6. Perspectives for a social revolution of anarchist inspiration; workers movement and peasant wage slaves; contemporary syndicalism & anarchism; rural & urban communes & coops in the framework of actual society & their role; youth, students, women, & their movements; the 3rd world; international solidarity with anarchist people & movements, victims of totalitarian repression, avowed or not; methods of anarchist revolutionary struggle; means of information & of the anarchist formation on the international plan; esperanto.
7. Attitude of the IFA on terrorism, the different forms of violence, of "marginalism" & the manifestations of "revolutionnaires folklorique";
8. Contract of association & financing of the CRIFA;
9. Nomination of the new CRIFA;
10. Adjournment, followed by a press conference.

OBSERVATIONS

1. The secretary general of CRIFA opens the congress & invites the delegates to designate the bureau, consisting of a president, treasurer & secretary of the meeting who will

then name a commission to verify the delegates' credentials which must present its report before point 2 on the agenda.

2. Reports of delegates presented in writing, published & distributed to participants at least one month before the congress, will not be read, to save time. The secretary general of CRIFA will present a well elaborated project on the world situation which will serve as a base for a position on the principal international problems to distribute at the press conference after the congress.

3. The phrase "solidarity of the workers of the world" is not meant in the moral sense, that which is absolutely normal, but as an economic & tactical necessity discovered in the struggle against capitalism at this stage (multinational corporations) & against the State & state bureaucracies.

4. Certain propositions of Portuguese & Swiss comrades, are included in points 4-6 of the agenda.

5. The "3rd world" must be seen from the angle of material, ideological, moral, & revolutionary aid which the IFA can supply.

6. The contribution to points 4 and 8 must be expressed in well elaborated & complete projects, modified & perfected by the declaration of principles & statutes adopted by the congress of Carrera.

7. Point 7 aims less at the tactical position of anarchism on terrorism than the attitude of the IFA against terrorism actually practiced, in the same way as the different forms of violence in vogue (involving innocent by-standers, hostages, etc); "marginalism" concerns the thoughtless & irresponsible acts committed outside the organized movement which prejudice them; the term "folklorique" alludes to pornography, homosexuality, drugs & fantasist slogans against work, etc.

8. The congress will not proceed with the accompaniment of rowdy publicity. After the end of the congress a large distribution will be made of the decisions of its sessions in a press conference & in the world libertarian & anarcho-syndicalist press.

Mountain View SRAF (Mtn. View, Ca):
ear SRAFeds,

It occurs to us that SRAF may well not be a "duly constituted" federation, and that these formal anarchists might be shocked by the informality of our organization. In spite of this, it's certainly possible and feasible for us to collectively designate delegates, or observers, if we decide to.

I don't know much about the IFA, so perhaps some other comrades can write to us all and tell what they know. From a review of their call to congress, it appears that many of their attitudes are a bit out of touch with conditions here.

Right off the top of my head, I hesitate at the concept of "one country-one vote" for membership in the IFA. The same goes for the control the "bureau" has over the congress in terms of formu-

lating projects for the congress.

In spite of these questions, if we desire to designate either delegates or observers, I can suggest a procedure: First any who intend to be in France next fall, or who want to go to this congress, should inform the rest of us in this bulletin. These potential delegates can give us their motivation in wanting to go. At the same time, all who want to see certain instructions carried to the congress, or questions raised before the congress can send letters containing the proposed instructions & questions for us all to discuss.

Then the rest of us can write letters to the bulletin with more discussion and with indications of which delegates instructions & questions we wish to designate and credential to the congress. We here will tabulate all the "votes" and certify the tabulations by our signatures (as well as keeping copies of all letters which designate anything for the congress). We'll give the original of this document to the person designated as a delegate by the greatest number of persons, for that person to carry to France (presumably all who want to will be approved as a delegate, but if one person wants to be one and everyone who writes in wants to deny that person the status of delegate, then in that case one would not become a delegate). We'll then send a copy of our certification to the CRIFA, along with the current names and addresses of the designated delegates.

We cannot meet their deadline of April 30 with this procedure. Too bad. We should be able to do it before the end of August. In that case, our deadline for final submissions of all instructions, position-papers & notices by those wishing to become delegates should be May 31. But thereafter such submissions are made, the more time we all have to discuss them. Final discussion and designations will occur before August 15, 1976 (of course, you can indicate any designation of a delegate, etc. before that time if you can decide earlier).

Also: since SRAF is not the only anarchist federation in north america (maybe we don't have to succumb to their concession to nationalism--our comrades in Canada will be able to elaborate on this), we probably should not limit this procedure for choosing delegates to our own membership. We should, I think, invite participation by WAP and LSF and try to form a joint delegation. We don't need to feel competitive and monopolistic just because we are so large.

Freequally, Jim Bumpas

AL-SRAF (Halifax, Nova Scotia):

Dear comrades/brothers and sisters,

It's a long time since I last wrote anything to the bulletin, and so perhaps the length of this letter may be excused.

First of all it's now been 5 years or so since the bulletin became a regular issue and I think a vote of thanks and appreciation is due to Jim and Linda and all the Mt. View people for all their hard work and consistent organising on behalf of SRAF. It's been mainly due to their persistence that the organization has become a viable reality. Secondly, it has become obvious to all who have been regular readers of the bulletin that it has changed over the years from a maudlin gossip sheet to a true organ of an anarchist organization. This is a hopeful sign for the future of North American Anarchism. This seems to be a world-wide phenomena as I've noticed that European comrades are also attempting to do the same thing.

Glancing at the last bulletin I would like to welcome the new SRAF groups into the Federation and hope that they will be able to work alongside the existing groups in SRAF for the realisation of the Social Revolution.

I have a few nitty criticisms of people from the last bulletin which infuriated me because they were so alien in their tone to the commonsense and constructiveness of the rest of the letters. Personal and vicious attacks upon other comrades with whom however much we may disagree with their statements, is out of place in the bulletin of a fraternal association. I personally don't agree withoffre's ideas on almost anything, but epithets of a personal nature such as sexist, elitist, racist, etc is far from the comradery with which anarchists should communicate with each other. This is a pity because otherwise I always enjoy Dean's letters. The more blatant example of lack of comradeship occurs in the letter of Seamas Cain which I find revolting in its entirety. Whatever the rights and wrongs of the case between comrades Cain and Graham let them keep their squabbles to personal letters and not insult the readers and members of SRAF with their petty invective. They only waste our time. If only we had more of the eminently sensible letters of Glenn Meredith, and our Australian comrade Col Pollard we'd really be better off.

I would like to add my 2 cents on the question of anarchist organization. Anarchists have always been challenged on this question by our "left" and "right" opponents and we have built up an inferiority complex about it for too long. I believe that anarchist organization has in historical situations usually proved itself both successful and efficient. Especially now when more and more anarchists are becoming organization conscious it would be a mistake in my estimation to revert to the ridiculous centrism of certain

British comrades who recently resurrected that stale old "Platform of the Anarchist-Communists" with its emphasis on organisation for its own sake. Despite our respect and admiration for the authors of this platform, comrades Arshinov and Makhno et al, I believe they were way off the mark in their criticism of Russian failings and anarchist inadequacies. The CNT, the FAI, the Nabat Federation of the Ukraine, were all examples of sound organisational principles, and where they failed was not in their lack of organisation, but rather their use of it. What I believe we lack at this time is an existing number of comrades able, willing, and devoted enough to go on the theoretical and practical offensive. Our numbers condemned us in the past to be merely a powerful and dangerous fringe element in previous revolutions. That is why the anarchists were the first crushed in 1918 by the Bolsheviks, because given time anarchist organisational influence (particularly syndicalism) would have threatened the very basis of the newly founded regime. According to Paul Avrich all this was done with a mere 20,000 militants, out of a population close to 200 million.

No, anarchism must above all never have to be on the defensive about our organisational skills. We must attempt to engage more people in the movement and commit ourselves to a daily struggle to win more adherents and comrades and build up organisations on a world wide scale, which like SRAF will grow up from nothing, into a viable communications network. What we in SRAF, I believe must now aim for is to see an active anarchist SRAF affiliated group in every major North American town and in every state, a regional SRAF federation, all working within the umbrella of SRAF, independant, but not cut off. Too many of our comrades are trying to "go it alone". Totally divorced from union and federation with others of the movement.

On another topic I enjoyed the supplement from Palo Alto which came along with the bulletin #49 and I think it could be usefully passed around among the general public. It reached exactly the right degree of theory and practice which could appeal to ordinary people with no knowledge of our ideas.

Yours fraternally,
Pete Ridley for Hal-SRAF

SRAF (St. Catharines, Ontario):
Comrades,

Eborah R. Phipps suggest that we defend the SLA as we would anyone else who is attacked by the state. I can't accept this position. Certain tendencies on the left, particularly the stalinists and the likes of the SLA would not actively defend us. They would however given state power be quite inclined to jail or shoot us. This is aside from the fact that the SLA consists of morons. I am infavor of support work for most left tendencies when they are under attack even if I totally reject their

politics. In particular it is imperative that we act if they have shown a willingness to defend our people. A case in point occurred two years ago when the French trotskysts organized a demonstration of over 10,000 people against the garroting of Salvador Puig by Franco's butchers.

The letter from Montreal in bulletin 50 illustrates a point I'm very concerned about. In this letter a point of view along anarcho-capitalist lines was made. This is a concrete indication that anarcho-capitalists can relate to SRAF which in my view is deplorable. SRAF must become definitively anti-capitalist if we are going to live up to being a revolutionary federation. If SRAF is going to tolerate capitalism then I will have to reject it unequivocally. However recent letters indicate a widespread desire to move in the directions I advocated earlier which involve us becoming more coherent in our principles and more clearly committed to the destruction of capitalism. As such we must indicate to anyone with anarcho-capitalist beliefs that they kindly fuck off!

As to my recent activities I spent some time in the Bay area during which I went to the liberteeran socialist conference. I was generally encouraged by it as there seemed to develop the type of organization embracing the various tendencies in our movement which is so badly needed. In short I thought it was showing the way forward. There were numerous obstacles yet to be dealt with but I saw no reason to consider them insurmountable.

The general impression politically which I drew from the time I spent in the area is that a considerable degree of alienation from the system persists however it is not as deep as it was 2 years ago when I was hitching across Amerika in the midst of Watergate & the "energy crisis".

Here in Ontario the situation is quiet as it usually is in March. Despite social service cutbacks and attacks upon education revenues, the left is as ineffective as ever. Student leftists are particularly inept. Despite some successful actions against cutbacks and threatened tuition hikes elsewhere in the country a recent gathering of leftists at a university near Toronto produced little more than hot air.

The struggle against wage controls has been little better. Only in Quebec where the workers are much more class conscious have there been any real mobilizations against the controls. In the rest of the country the state has only been confronted by the empty threats of the union bureaucrats and a few small rallies.

On campus here I have been mostly working on showing films with other people as the coalition of leftist students is in disarray presently. The most important effort will be centered around the rising of Attica which is coming up shortly. It's a fresh wind that blows against the empire. Bruce

SRAF (Yelm, Washington):

Dear SRAFriends,

First off I'd like to comment on the fake questionnaire that Polar Bear sent out. I received a copy and it was pretty realistic. I read it halfway thru before I thought something was funny--good work Scott.

I got a lot of unfavorable response to my last letter suggesting that anarchist propaganda be brought down to less intellectual level. I don't want it brought down to a "Dick&Jane" level as Debora thought I meant but to a level where it will be interesting to the average level. I've passed out tons of information to non-anarchists and later asked if they have read it only to find out they haven't because it was too boring or at a level they couldn't understand. Ernest Mann has a good method but perhaps carries it a little too far.

To John Krug who was interested in the bombing of La Guardia airport, read the article in the March 1976 Yipster Times entitled 'Assassin Nation' by A.J. Weberman where he suggests the bombing was done by a govt agency. Address for YT is: Box 392, Canal St. Stn., NYC 10013.

Glenn Meredith has a good idea to remember when he says 'we must convince people that anarchism and their desires for more freedom and self control are synonymous'.

People have to believe that the result of revolution will be better conditions or there is no reason for them to revolt.

This year the Youth International Party the Yippies are running J. Edgar Kangaroo for president and Tricky Dick Nixon for Vice president on the God and Country ticket.

I hope to see a lot of you at the conventions which will be held in Kansas City and New York while the Republicans and Democrats have theirs. Come get stoned with us.

Anarchy, Michael

Black Lite, Box 293, Yelm, 98597

GLASGOW, SCOTLAND:

Comrades,

Just received a copy of your bulletin, though fuck knows where from. Perhaps it was from yourselves? ((YUP)) Also noticed the reference to our bulletin #4. Maybe you could clear up a wee mystery for us. We've spent many a happy night here speculating as to how you got a hold of it. You see, it's an internal bulletin with a limited amount of copies. We suspect it was maybe through John Olday's IAT. Anyway, however you got it, we're pleased you did. We'd appreciate stronger links with our American comrades, exchanging ideas, criticisms etc. For those who're interested, here's a brief sketch of what we're about in Glasgow (which has had a strong Anarchist

tradition since Kropotkin's visit way back in Nineteen Something) are known simply as the Glasgow Anarchist Group. The group, which consists of Libertarian Socialists/Anarcho-communists and a few Syndicalists, is 'class' oriented. "Class" orientated, because you can't live in a city like Glasgow without being so. Our activities range from aiding eviction resistance, a projected bus fares strike involving situationist-type sabotage, working within the Troops Out Movement on Ireland (although this entails adopting a dangerous and vulnerable position in Glasgow, which is as 'religion' conscious as Belfast and where the UVF and UDA already have sizeable units--at the moment, we're having a re-think on our position), free schools and other work in education to attempting to set up a People's Alternative Technology and forming a Music Co-operative. Although we have our own perspective on Spain, we've been involved in a 'United Front' campaign with various Tross. Naturally, we are very aware of where we stand with them (recently, they accused us of disrupting 'our' public meeting on Spain). We're also in the final stages of producing, along with other libertarians in the city, a community struggle/alternative--there's no label we can think of with regard to what we're attempting--news-paper, which will act as a focus for the work we're involved in in the housing schemes (I think you call them 'projects' in the USA) and Claimants Union (a non-hierarchical organisation for people who claim 'welfare'.)

Well, that's a rough rundown on what we're doing. As I said earlier, we'd like to make contacts in N.America, so we'd appreciate any feedback/forward. Ok?

All the best!

A. McCartney, for GAG

SHEFFIELD, ENGLAND:

Dear SRAF,

I'm writing for some information and possibly some help.

As a revolutionary socialist student in a social work course here at Sheffield Polytechnic, I'm hoping to come to the US in the summer, as my interests for once coincide with (requirements?--typist can't make it out) of the course.

However I'm totally green about the states, so at one level I'd welcome any contact or information.

At another level I'm looking for help, contact, materials, references, anything on setting some sort of experimental, or radical week residential social work placement, general political contacts and anything connected with my attempts at a 'committed' disorientation on counter culture.

I'll keep it short at present, but could like in more depth if I hear from you or

you can publicize this request.

Look forward to hearing. In anticipation, yours fraternally,

Paul Summer, c/o 148 Stracle Rd,
Sheffield S7, Yorkshire, England

BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA:

Dear Comrades,

Could you send us a copy of each of the following: ((LIST OF PAMPHLETS)).

Also could we receive "BLACK STAR". We will take out a subscription when we know the price. We are also interested in proposals for a continental conference and whatever pre-conference material is circulated. Maybe one of us would be interested in attending. After all, we are part of the US.

Harry Wright, c/o Box 332,
North Quay, Brisbane, Australia

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA:

Friends,

Enclosed is \$3 for a subscription to the SRAF bulletin.

I am presently putting together the first issue of an anarchist journal which will be called FREE FOR ALL, could you announce in the next SRAF bulletin that requests for subscriptions should be sent to: 166 West 18th, Vancouver, BC. Donations are not required but would be appreciated.

Dick Martin

BURNABY, BRITISH COLUMBIA:

Dear Comrades!

Thank you for placing the diacritical marks over the letters over which I applied them. My comrades in the Esperanto movement do not mean to offend the english speaking or speakers of any other national language by communicating only in Esperanto. We are nonnationalists and prefer Esperanto even over the language which we were raised with. We think it is a waste of time concerning ourselves with nationalistic issues but instead are ready to fight any social inequalities on a national and Universal basis.

There will be a "Habitat Forum" held in Vancouver during the first 2 weeks in June. One govtal of the United Nations and the other a non-govtal Forum. I gather that the latter is represented by organizations who are sincerely concerned with social problems around the world but I am not certain of their philosophy. I intend to make propaganda there in favour of SAT and Esperanto and also display the SRAF bulletin.

Saluton Kamaradoj Tutmondaj!

La kamaradoj de la presejo de SRAF nun ne plu forlasas la supersignojn necesajn super la literoj. Do nun niaj korespondadoj estas pli bone kompreneblaj. En mia ĉirkaŭaĵo mi ne rimarkas multan Anarkiistan aktivecon. Tamen ekzistas kelkaj kamaradoj kiuj aktivigas en diversaj medioj. Mi ne volas skribi pri iliaj aferoj. Iu junulo kiu havas niajn tendencojn

Ĉi tiu estas aktivas en la nutraĵ-Kooperacio antaŭ kelkaj tagoj min vizitis ĉar li interesiĝas pri Esperanto. Mi pruntedonis al li sonbendan kurson pri Esperanto kaj lernoligran.

Mi havis ĉe mi vizitanton el Montreal kiu restis ĉe mia hejmo dum kelkaj tagoj. Li ne estis SAT ano sed bona amiko de Kdo Hudelot el Montrealo kiun multaj el vi eble jam konas de la SAT kongresoj.

Kun multe da plezuro mi legis la kontribuon de Kdo Ed Vivancos en angla lingvo en SRAF kaj mi esperas ke li ankoraŭ trovas tempon plue partopreni Esperantlingve. Mi intencas propagandi la SRAF bultenon dum ekspozicio kiel Anarkiistan Organon kiun ankaŭ la Esperantistoj Liberecan- Anarkiisttendencaj tutmondaj uzas kiel komunikilon. Do, ĵen la novaĵoj el Burnaby, BC Tutkorajn Sennaciecajn Salutojn.

J. Kuhl

MONTREAL, QUEBEC:

SRAfers-- I was surprised to see my 2 letters appear in the same #50--it was meant to appear in #51. Anyhow, glad to see that I was not the only one to complain about your ink-color-try not to use green ink in the future ((sorry, we just got 20 lbs of green ink @ \$1 each. The usual price on black ink is about \$4/lb. We'll try to mix it to make it easier to read.)) And, when you make comments put them with caption "ed" or other--it is hard in some letters to tell who's who.

About you (SRAFprint Co-op) being unable to call yourselves a co-op any longer--you ought to try to combat the unconstitutionality of this restrictive piece of legislation -through hold of ACLU for no one has a monopoly over vocabulary. Does that mean SRAF could take steps to have word "Libertarian" used only when meaning anarchy, thus leaving the so-called anarcho-capitalists or laissez-faire people re-libertarian in the cold? Concerning the mailing lists--can put my name on it. In passing it might add that the claims I made in recent letters about our upcoming publications--are somewhat dephosed--due to legal stumblings; money-police harrassment (re-Olympic fever)--they are all cancelled until next fall. Meantime will try (have health problems--due back in hospital) to publish near certainty--pamphlet about anarcho-individualism in Spanish. So if any reader would like to receive some free let us know. Pamphlets--Spanish/Catalan--mainly for Spain & Spanish speaking area--we also plan to have posters, stickers, etc.

Last comment about some of letters in SRAF #50: Letter by Jeff CC-SRAF (Cook County, Illinois) would say that SRAF bulletin remain an open zine to all--it is one of the very few that is living up to its anarchist ideals--I have been receiving/reading to dozens of anarchist zines--in nearly all of them the clique in charge of these papers censors, publish half truths, in brief are as liberal as the New York Times which is not very much. Black Star ought to be more restrictive since a special zine of SRAF--reflects more closely the views of SRAfers.

Letter by John Krug, San Francisco, California his comments on bombing at La Guardia airport are typically pro=emotionally petit bourgeois. Has he forgotten that "paropagande par le fait" was the modus vivendi of anarchists in France during 1890-1900? The main exponents were Ravachol, Emile Henry, etc, who were anarcho-individualists, and what about La Banda a Bonnot? France 1910-1914. Despite their actions they were & remained anarchists. It is not a certain action (geste) that catalogs you but what you think

Letter by Bob Shea needs more explanations--one hasty conclusion is that violence is essentially an archist mean! Letter by Mike Hargis--why does he want to join libertarian marxists (re anti-leninist marxists) Ought to join situationists (they come back to good old Marx--see Perspectives, Box 2233, Stn.A, Berkeley, CA 94702--send \$1--they were formerly Point-Blank!).

Tyrone Walls: His joining with other non-authoritarian marxists et al--good luck but we'll see who boots who in the end!

Last word: anyone interested in subjugated/oppressed minorities such as Kurds, Baluchis, Nagas, etc should contact me at CP 95, Stn Place D'Armes, Montreal, PQ, H2X 3E9, Canada--might add that need help in contacting Pathans (Pakistan), Mizos, Kashmiris (India), Erythreans, Pawakils (Ethiopia), Moros (Philippines), Karens, Miaus, (Burma), etc. Worth noting that most of these groups supporters are marxist-mao oriented.

PS: Even though I go to some reunions of like progressive people (marxist) I keep aloof and neutral. I simply use them for my purpose.

So SRAfers--to your pens
yours, R. Yves Breton

FREE VENCIE, CALIFORNIA: SRAFed,

Just a note to let everyone know my legal status. As I mentioned in an earlier communication to the SRAF bulletin, I was arrested last October for alleged violation of the Selective Service Act of 1967. I was prosecuted on 4 counts: 2 counts of failure to report for physicals; 1 count of failure to report for induction; and 1 count of failure to keep my draft board informed of an address where I could receive mail.

On Feb.17, the govt attorney and my attorney entered briefs. Fortunately for me, my lawyer found a more conventional defense than the anti-slavery amendments. On March 2, I was acquitted on all counts except failure to keep my draft board notified of my address. We are going to appeal. In the meantime, I'll probably be sentenced to probation. My sentencing is March 29. My probation will probably last about as long as the appeal, but if

my conviction is overturned, it will leave me with a clean record.

The appeal will cost about \$1000 and I currently owe my lawyer \$400. Anyone who wants to aid my defense can send contributions to: The 13th Amendment Defense Fund, Box 1202, Free Venice, CA 90291. Checks should be made out to Shawn Steel.

FIOT, Doug Kennell

BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA:

Dear SRAfcoop,

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the law.

It is good to see Tyrone Walls back again. An issue of SRAf without Tyrone is like a 3 Stooges movie without Moe.

Deborah Phipps urges support of the SLA because of their 'revolutionary opposition to the bourgeois and their armed defense of the rights of the oppressed.' If those grandiose phrases fit the SLA, they probably fit the Dillinger gang also, not to mention the Mafia and the Manson family.

In fact, since the Dillinger gang never shot anybody in cold blood (much less a popular Black school official in a predominantly Black city), it wd be less damaging to SRAf's reputation if we endorsed the Dillinger gang instead of the SLA.

Bruce in Ontario writes that "Senseless violence is unforgivable but on the other hand pacifism is suicide." Although I have no statistics on this, I wd wager that pacifists have a slightly longer lifespan than the violent (although they may spend more time in prison.) Certainly, the death rate rises sharply whenever war is declared, and people in battle tend to get shot or blown up more often than people who mind their own business or escape to pacifist nations until the madness passes.

Perhaps Bruce identifies pacifism with the moralistic non-violence position of Gandhi, Tolstoy etc; the moralistic non-violentists, and the militarists themselves, encourage this identification. However, to refuse to be cannon fodder in nationalistic wars is a position that has merits in itself and many take this stance without rejecting all violence in all circumstances. The moralistic position which refuses to distinguish defensive violence from invasive violence makes sense only to moralists and not to rationalists. A rationalist can be a pacifist opposed to national wars and compulsory military service etc. without being a moralistic non-violentist.

"The Bill of Rights is not a suicide pact," Justice Black once said. Neither is intelligent pacifism.

When Bob Shea says that "rights" are metaphysical abstractions of no precise meaning, and Billy Mick replies that "We have the right" to do anything we are physically or mentally capable of," they are using the word

"right" in different connotations. "Rights" are clauses in a constitution or contract; nobody had any "rights" until it became a fad to write such constitutions or contracts. We have all the "rights" guaranteed in the US constitution if we also have a good lawyer and enough cash to fight all the way through the court system.

Thus, a lion may have the physical or mental capacity to eat me up, but the lion still doesn't have the right to do so, i.e. I may shoot him in self-defense and never be accused of "crime" in so doing. Such legal game-rules are, indeed, metaphysical abstractions, but they exist as pragmatic realities as long as there is either force or social consensus to enforce them.

Robert Anton Wilson

BOISE, IDAHO:

Dear SRAf,

Thankyou for sending me a sample copy of the bulletin. It's good to discover I'm not totally isolated--most of my political acquaintances here are either marxists or bourgeois liberals, plus a smattering of whackos in the "Libertarian" Party.

I'd like to join the federation and am enclosing \$3 to help defray the cost of production and distribution of the bulletin. If there are any other SRAf people in the Boise area, please let me know at 1118 Norht 14th, Boise, 83702.

Debora Phipps, in bulletin #50, states, concerning the SLA: "They...must not be supported only because of their revolutionary opposition to the bourgeois and their armed defense of the rights of the oppressed, but also not to rally to their defense would be a form of condoning the tactics of 'justice' used by the LA police..." Further, "The attitude of lax non-supportiv cohesiveness between organisations of resistance has and will open the door for the govt's use of such tactics as they can against dissent and revolution."

I realize that most, if not all, SRAf members are probably bored shitless by the continuing SLA circus, but remarks such as the above should be answered.

If we are to support the SLA on the basis of their "revolutionary opposition to the bourgeois and their armed defense of the rights of the oppressed," we'd do well to consider what form this "revolutionary opposition" and "armed defense" took. The first act of "armed defense" by the SLA was the cold blooded murder of Marcus Foster, the black superintendent of Oakland's public shhools. The next was the abduction of a personally innocent young woman. Following that they extorted \$2 million from her parents which was distributed to the poor in the form of food, sort of a do it yourself welfare program. The famous bank robbery followed and finally (before transformation into the NWLF) incineration of most of the SLA by the LAPD and the machine gunning of Mel's Sporting Goods by the

remainder during their escape.

One can only shudder when the effects of such acts upon the public consciousness are considered. Such acts do not endanger the state, they do not contribute to the building of a mass movement in opposition to the state and capitalism, and do not promote in anyone the growth of the awareness of the capacity for self management.

As the SLA's actions were quite "objectively counterrevolutionary," we're left with only their muddled political pronouncements and assertions that they were/are revolutionaries. If we are to act on their behalves on mere assertions, it leaves us wide open to manipulation by agents provocateurs.

And where exactly is the connection between condoning the cremation of the 6 SLA members by the LAPD and "failure to rally to their defense" (of the remaining SLA members)? there is simply no logical connection.

Finally, it should be obvious that it is not failure of the left to rally to the defense of the SLA that is opening the door to state repression of dissent and revolutionaries. What is creating the climate for such repression is the popular revulsion against the mindless violence of groups like the SLA.

On a more positive note, I enjoyed the contributions of the people at Solidairty and Mike Hargis. There's a great need for organization now. Over the past 2 years several people that I know have drifted into organizations like the RU and SWP, at least in part because there's no libertarian socialist alternative.

If Yves Breton, and any other "anarcho-capitalist" for that matter, is interested in uncovering evidence of the operation of Adam Smith's "invisible hand", he should be able to find it quite easily--in the industrial accident rate, in the increasing incidence (per capita) of cancer, and in the gray or brown skies above his head. Anarchism and capitalism are clearly incompatible if you consider the most important aspect of anarchism to be opposition to all authoritarian institutions and relationships, not simply opposition to the state.

Surprisingly, there's quite a bit of political /social activity occurring in Boise. There's a great deal of community resistance to the proposed construction of a coal fired generating plant 25 miles south of town.

At Boise State U I've been a member of an umbrella type political group for the last year. Our major activities so far have been the presentation of an ongoing weekly film series at school--using for the most part Tri-Continental films plus a few Grove and SF Newsreel releases, and a few actions directed against utility rate hikes and construction of the power plant.

One of the local marxists owns an offset press which we've used to good effect on several occasions. Last fall we ran off several thousand leaflets dealing with the probable social/economic /ecologic effects of the proposed power plant.

We managed to distribute almost all of them at a booth we rented with several of the local consumer/ecology groups at the Western Idaho Fair.

As we're planning on running our film series for another year, I'd really appreciate it if anyone would inform me as to where I can get ahold of any anarchist films. I'd particularly like to hear about any films dealing with the Spanish revolution. Fraternally, Chuck Bufo

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI:

SRAF,

St. Louis' anarcha-feminist study group is going to begin reading the writings of Emma Goldman and Mary Wollstonecraft. There are also going to be 2 anarchist institutions here. The first, "The Leather Factory" (3156 Bent, St. Louis 63116) is a leather workshop with no bosses and open to all craftsmen & any interested learners. We will make any leather article you desire. Just send us a description of what you want and we will send you a price. We are already operating and prepared to fill orders for handcrafted goods immediately. We are struggling to survive and grow.

The 2nd place is being readied for opening. It is called "Next Door" and will be a combination art gallery, crafts shop, and library as well as an outlet for as many anarchist books and periodicals as we can get our hands on. Our anarchafeminist group will begin meeting there this week, and Joan hopes to begin a women's group for neighborhood women in the immediate future. Joan's daughter, Sandy, is a surrealist artist, and has decorated the entrance to "The Leather Factory" with a modest but beautiful mural.

Joan is a woman who became an anarchist through the Catholic Worker and who has put a superhuman amount of effort into creating these places. We invite any and all anarchists to visit us.

Re Bull #50: Glenn is right in saying that Black Star has an almost exclusively anarchist readership, but until the quality of BS improves (both in content, layout, and regularity) it would be better to promote what might be the only regularly publishing anarchist paper with popular appeal, i.e., FKFTH ESTATE. And in a more general response to Glenn: Yes, we can utilize straight media; but many of us are involved in other time consuming and equally valuable things. If we have not touched "a responsive chord in the minds of millions...in this country", it is simply because there are very few of us and even fewer who choose to actively struggle and fewer yet who know how to effectively agitate. I used to get very bummed out about this but now I realize that these limitations

need to be accepted, and only with long and patient effort will we be able to build a solid basis for a growing, reliable, constructive anarchist movement. I've been an anarchist since 1969, and today I only know 5 other anarchists in St. Louis and only 4 out of the 6 of us are working together as a group, but we are educating ourselves and creating more interest in our ideas than what has existed before, and I am encouraged by the embryonic federation that has formed in the midwest. So, even though I don't expect that all anarchists will unify in one common effort, we can each seek to use our own unique abilities to create anarchy, here and there.

Love, Jay Amrod

GLENCOE, ILLINOIS:

Dear SRA Friends,

Bruce of St. Catherine's writes, "Somewhere I remember someone writing that there could be no such thing as an anarchist army. If this be the case then what were the Makhnovists?" Glad you asked that, because it brings me to the next point in this series of letters on the transition from governed society to free society. Last issue I offered some thoughts on revolution and gave my opinion that armed struggles should not be objectives or models for anarchist revolutionaries.

The Makhnovist movement in Russia, 1917-1921, is sometimes cited as an example of an armed anarchist uprising that worked for a time. However, the Makhnovist army was defensive in purpose; it arose after anarchism had already been established in parts of the Ukraine. The Makhnovists did not aim to take over Russia and eventually the world as the Leninists did, and do.

The Makhnovist story is a heroic epic precisely because they were not an aggressive coercive military movement but a people defending their freedom.

During the Russian revolution the anarchists in the Ukraine and elsewhere had an opportunity to show how communities of workers and farmers could be organized and build function, even how large cities could work on an anarchist basis. The anarchists came from nowhere to achieve remarkably widespread influence in a few years. That anarchism spread as quickly and extensively as it did between 1917 and 1921 is a tribute to the energy and resourcefulness of the Russian anarchists and the vitality of their ideas. The anarchists in Russia saw and demonstrated that a true revolution is not the work of any political party but is a general uprising of the whole people. Each political faction tried to harness the energy of the Russian revolution to its own program, thereby achieving power and putting an end to the revolution.

Only the anarchists rejected power as a goal and worked instead to keep the revolution going. What the Russian revolution did was provide a temporary period of weakened government during which anarchists could teach and practice.

Having to fight constantly made the anarchists less anarchistic in thought and action. Voline, who witnessed and chronicled the brief flowering of anarchism in Russia, pointed out that the military character of the Makhnovist movement was a defect in it: "For an army, of whatever kind it may be, always and inevitably ends by being affected by certain serious faults, by a special kind of evil mentality." The Russian anarchists frequently felt they had to cooperate with the Bolsheviks. Like the Bolsheviks, most of the Russian anarchists thought that communism was the only acceptable economic system. And they adopted authoritarian tactics to introduce it in the Ukraine. Peter Arshinov, another Makhnovist historian, writes that in some cases the anarchistic peasants' movement executed landowners who resisted seizure of their lands and goods.

We can only speculate about what a policy of strict noncooperation with all statists, both Reds and Whites, and of general non-violence might have accomplished for the anarchists. But more than anything else they lost out in the long run because their enemies, the Bolsheviks, were more numerous and had been propagandizing throughout Russia for a much longer time. The lesson? Since we never know where the lightning will strike next, anarchists should be working everywhere to increase their numbers and to teach entire populations what anarchism means.

Bob Shea

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

SRA Feds: International Women's Day, In the Year of the BOMB--XXXI

In SRA Bull #50, p.15, col.2, line 6 from bottom, I wrote domination not "comination". Page 16, col.2, line 23, the lost word is time; line 29, the sentence begins with what, not "whay".

Point 2 of the Principles of Association does not mention "capitalism"--and this is good because it is clearly opposed to any exploitative economic arrangement whether it be called Kibbutz socialism, Russian socialism, red China socialism, private enterprise or something else. It (Point 2) is beyond book-keeping, therefore it is definitely opposed to Leninism and can be construed to be opposed to any socialism in which labor cost accounting or other bookkeeping gets in the way of desire/demand. (Or any anarchism for that matter. Jesus could fit under principle 2, but probably not Bakunin). My point, however, in contradistinction to assertions by Jeff (last name Stein), is that anarchism is not defined

by opposition to 'capitalism' but (in its negative aspect) by opposition to law-enforcement (Authority). So defined, not only Jesus, but also Bakunin can work something out with us, and we don't have to lump him with Spooner, Tucker, and other anti-State socialists as a "capitalist". It's weird that I'm arguing tolerance for perhaps some an-archo-capitalists (if they can work out with us, why not?) and that Jeff is so set against capitalism, because when it comes to the question of where an-archists shd put their money, I oppose putting it in the bank (I'm anti-capitalist) whereas Jeff is so set on putting money in the bank you might think he was an agent of capitalism if you had no other information about him. And in these regards, Debora, I don't want to make it a matter of first importance to make it clear to the working class that "capitalism" is oppressing them because I want them to engage the more efficient an-archist terms of analysis. I want them to understand that Authority oppresses them, the workers, as it oppressed workers long before capitalism was even a word in any modern language. Too much modernity is a bad thing. This train of thought applies also to the people at Solidarity who want to define our organization so as to close it to an-archists called "right wing". To define an-archy as to eliminate socialists like Spooner and Tucker wd be a form of sectarian idiocy. The enemy, in prime terms, is not economics (capitalism) but politics (law enforcement). To define in economic terms (as does Solidarity) is both to shift the focus of an-archism from its essence and encourage the underdevelopment of anti-Authority which is also the basis of our unity. Economic determinism isn't at issue--and insofar as "Do as thou wilt shall be the whole of the law" aptly describes us, then we libertarians must be fundamentally hostile to economic determinism. But the economic emphasis we run up on in SRAF Bull has had a historical connection with economic determinism, & since this ec.determinism seems to bear a Y chromosome, then it follows that the economic emphasis that yet survives in SRAF Bull may also be tainted with male chauvinist bias against women's integral liberation. All the more reason, therefore, to hyper our anti-Authority thrust & hypo the economic crap.

I find Louise's notions on the centrality of sexism to authoritarianism overdrawn and too crudely Darwinian. She seems to equate sexism merely to women fulfilling their structurally determined biological function (nursing pregnancy). Constant pregnancy & childcare may be more a phenomenon of modern sanitation and of civilization (or merely Christianity) than of all cultures including bush or non-literate cultures which have more sophistication regarding birth control than the celibate

popes of modernity allow to their "children", example--I think Louise over-emphasizes the we of women in a "state of nature": anthropologists have observed of some bush societies that the work of women accounts for 2/3 of the protein. Childcare cd not have been as demanding as Louise seems to say, & I think there's more mythology than truth where she writes: "from our earliest imaginable prehistory, the male half of the (pre-)human race has been indoctrinated & trained from birth to exercise dominance over the female half;". Patriarchy is a rather late invention in the human story, & if what she says is so true, I think I shd have been & experienced more of it (ie, sexism).

Bruce St.Catharines makes quite a remarkable statement where he says: "pacifism is suicide". In answer: (1) It's the people who pick up the M16 and the AK47 who fall down dead gun in hand. Pacifists are apt to be surviving in jail for refusing to pick up the gun (tho a being like Corbett Bishop might not accept to survive in jail). (2) Nonpacifism=nonclear war=omnicide (the murder of everybody). Therefore it's nonpacifism that shd be seen as a suicide, not pacifism. Let's keep it straight which is which. As to a "policing function in an anarchist community", Mohandas Gandhi was willing to experiment with a nonviolent "police" but I don't know whether he actually got into it. When the Koinonia Community, near Americus, Ga, was under nitely attacks by racists (gunfire/arson) it set up nonviolent patrols near the property line, carrying flashlights. When intruders in the dust were sensed, the nonracist white patrolperson turned the flashlight into his/her own face & used the discovery to establish communication with the white racist menace. Once a flashlight was shot out of one patrol person's hand. Pacifists don't claim that nonviolent behavior is without risk. We assert, rather, that the risks of resistance shd be taken without weaponry.

Wilson's criteria for a noninvasive anarchist army sounds reasonable on paper, but next to impossible of realization as Wilson himself comes close to realizing. Does the anarchist army use, for example, the atomic bomb? The Brezhnev-Mao-Kissinger army wd have no scruple against evaporating Wilson's (careful Rorschach tested?) 10,000 with a tactical "grudge". A psychiatrist who did testing for the Chicago Police Dept. found his house invaded by the police when he gave a party for the peace movement. There's probably no test that can pick a body of armed men as good as that psychiatrist who was no angel, of course, merely a liberal. And after Wilson's initial 10,000 were heroically wasted on the field of battle what is to insure, under the chaos of wartime conditions, that the next 10,000 understand noninvasiveness just as well? Some people wound up in Makhno's army who thought they were drafted (how little did they understand an

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n-archist anything!) and of course the Span-
sh an-archists were sold out to conscription.
An-archic theoretikers, reflecting on lessons
of the Spanish Revolution etc, claim that an-
archic armed action cannot go longer than 6
months without turning into archic armed ac-
tion. If Brezhnev-Mao-Kissinger read the
same books, then they know they can let an-
archism destroy itself merely by keeping the
action going for 7 months. Armed an-archy has
been destroyed by its allies (particularly
Marxists) not its enemies. This notwithstand-
ing, I have yet to read a statement (by an
an-archist advocate of armed action) which is
absolutely opposed to any tactical or strate-
gic collaboration with armed non-anarchists
under any circumstances whatsoever. In other
words, advocates of armed an-archy are pre-
pared to be as stupid today as they were in
1917 or 1936. This opinion is supported by
the situation in the IWW where libertarians
are tricked and betrayed again and again, by
Trotskyists, in such simple matters as word-
ing a leaflet for a demonstration. Pacifism
does not always guarantee success in everyday,
but advocates of armed an-archy seem to have
a built in drive to be losers.

Krug: maybe the CIA set the bomb at
LaGuardia airport(?). Now that Wilson's can-
didate for president has turned witness for
the prosecution, is it fair to say: Linda
Lovelace is a fink!

Joffre Stewart, advocate of the
Anti-Christ, 6114 S. May St, Chicago 60621

AUBURN, NEW YORK:

Greetings!

Just a few lines to let you know you've
got my permission to release my name from
your mailing list, if you decide to rent it.
((sraffprint note: we're not going to. It's too
much work for us and the rip-off artist who
wants to buy it plans to deduct \$200/year plus
about 40% of the income he gets before return-
ing us anything. If our list contained 10,000
names it might be worth it.))

I enjoyed reading the well captured ideas
of Glenn Meredith in #50. While the surveys
he mentions show a willingness of people to
accept some variant of socialism, I'm pretty
sure the given percentage is not in favor of
libertarian socialism. Consider the survey
reported in Erie County by investigators for
the Attica brothers, showing that 82% believe
that "obedience" and "respect for authority"
are the most important virtues! Why should it
be much different in other counties? I think
we need teachers to start teaching the truth
about authority, and obedience, before a sur-
vey is of any benefit to agitators and their
programs.

While I agree in trying to make use of
alternative papers for Anarchist ideas, arti-
cles, etc, how are we going to get around
the authoritarianism censorship? Your letter
neglected to mention if you have ever sub-
mitted any propaganda to our opposition. I
understand it has a way of being returned to
sender or lost. I'd be very interested in
knowing if you're planning or if you have in
the past, had an article published in an al-
ternative paper, and where it appeared. The
idea of advertizing "Black Star" I feel, has
merit, but it may be a little premature
right now.

Joffre Stewart--it's always an experience
to read one of your letters, you always seem
to amaze me with your satirical replies.
While I agree with most of your comments, I
disagree strongly with the esoteric labeling
of An-archism, and your opposing view for
not bringing our propaganda down to a level
where (working) people can understand it. If
I interpret your letter correctly, you're under
the impression that Anarchism is an intellec-
tual movement, rather than a worker's move-
ment! Now Joffre, you're not going to pin
the Mr. Spock award on yourself like that.
What about the "working people, and poor peo-
ple" who were unable to reach an adequate
elementary school education because they were
forced to leave school, and help support
their families? Wouldn't you think that it
would be a waste of time or worse, to give
these comrades our intellectualizing propa-
ganda? No Joffre, it doesn't have to read
like an over-intellectualized Murray Book-
chin either.

Tyrone Walls--after reading your letter,
I can't help but wonder if you're re-estab-
lishing ties with the SRAFed because you're
no longer bitter towards Anarchists, or be-
cause at this time, they could be useful to
your Marxist endeavors. I really didn't
care for your scare tactics for our banding
together--sounds like something the Bolshe-
viks said to the Anarchists around 1917!
We, as Anarchists are well aware of what
we're up against, and who and what our op-
position consists of. I don't think Anarch-
ists feel that they have a monopoly on
freedom, one has only to look at Free coun-
tries like: the United States, Russia,
China, etc, etc, etc. No, what Anarchists
have a monopoly on is TRUE FREEDOM!

For Anarchism,
Jamie Barnes, #64734, 135 State St.,
Auburn, NY 13021

HONOLULU, HAWAII:

Dear SRAF friends,

A strange thing happened to me the other day. A friend who, after our long discussions, is now leaning in the direction of anarchism, called me with a question. She had just finished reading a couple of books to get a historical perspective on the left in the US and wanted suggestions for similar readings that would focus on the development of anarchism. I assured her that I would dig out something, and turned to my bookshelf. Now, I do have a pretty good collection of anarchist oriented books, but--just running along the shelf, there was excellent stuff on anarchism in the Soviet Union, Spain, England, Germany and France but I was disturbed to find little on the US. The biographies of Berkman and Emma Goldman give some flavor of the very early parts of the century, and the specifically Christian anarchists (Ammon Hennacy and Dorothy Day) have written of their experiences. But as far as I can tell, no other analysis of anarchist PRACTICE. Considering just how important the analysis of anarchism in practice in other countries has been, isn't it time that we began recording and communicating the actual experiences that we have in actual political practice?

For example, in SRAF Bull 50, Marc Hazur almost casually reports that the Makhno Brigade has collapsed. If we are to learn anything from these experiences, don't we need to know the reasons why? What kinds of political disagreements were there? How did they arise? How were they reflected in actual practice (I mean, did different political positions lead to conflicting ideas about action?)

Here in Hawaii, we have no group acting in a coherently anarchist fashion, although we are struggling to an Anarchist Federation of Hawaii as a beginning channel for contact, discussion and, eventually, actions. We are only a few people attracted by the principles and historic realties of anarchism--yet these give little concrete direction to the present. More concrete sharing of what anarchists are actually doing politically would really help us and, presumably, others. Any suggestions from other SRAF folks? I'll be glad to say more about what I'm up to for the next bulletin, but I've got a couple of other questions right now.

One suggestion: since many of us live in places far from the comradeship of other active anarchists, we read with some envy the announcements of lectures by anarchists in New York and other big cities. How about sharing the wealth of anarchist experience and not only talking about sharing wealth in some future arrangement. Wouldn't it be relatively easy for someone to tape record interesting discussions, without editing or other hassles, and loan these to

others? Maybe folks could just write in the SRAF Bull the tapes that they have on hand so that we could see what is available. How about it?

Again, I promise some more concrete words on our own actions for the next bulletin. Also, I'll enclose some \$\$ towards expenses, and could you send some copies of the articles/pamphlets SRAF has reprinted. Many thanks.

Ian Lind, 1139 9th Ave #41
Honolulu, HI 96816

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK:

Dear friends,

We are currently producing a documentary film on anarchism that will be both a critique of anarchist tradition and a view of contemporary anarchist activities. Any materials, graphics, pictures and ideas would be greatly appreciated.

Hope to hear from you soon.

Pacific Street Film Collective,
280 Clinton St., Brooklyn 11201
phone: (212) 875-9722

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS:

SRAF-ers,

If you are part of the production of pamphlets, posters, books or periodicals and would like some of them distributed to prisoners who want to read anarchist lit., send a handful or more to Black Market, Box 306, Cambridge, MA 02139. Whatever you send will be re-distributed to prisoners.

Are you incorrespondence with prisoners? Then tell them about Black Market. For the asking, they'll receive a packet of whatever's been accumulated. Prisoners may also request specific A lit. Chances are we'll get it to them. Cash contributions are appreciated and will pay for postage & purchase of books that have been requested but not donated.

Thanks and take care--Tom Flittie

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

Hello again, Our little group here collapsed with our hoped-for workers' center never getting off the ground. The big problem was lack of money, although the group was also somewhat incoherent as a group. I accept the primary blame; the thing was my idea & I should have known from my own experience that many people say they'll contribute money and never come up with any. A few of us are thinking of organizing a citywide conference later in the year to form the founda

ion of a Chicago area libertarian socialist organization. Hopefully, if that goes well, we'd eventually merge with those other 1-s groups that are building towards a national continental organization. The fact that, slowly but surely, all the various kinds of libertarian socialists are coming around to seeing the need for a mass organization is a very positive sign.

A few remarks on Bul#50. Joffre: Where do you get your statistics from? That remark about the US ruling class being 25% Jewish sounds like KK or Nazi propaganda to me. Also concerning your remarks about "detecting Zionist sentiment" around IWW hall, I think you'd be equally hard pressed to prove that. The IWW has always been explicitly anti-religious.

R.Yves Breton: you say you have no opinions about women, then you proceed to tell us that you see them as their own greatest enemies and "insignificant" as well. Is that your idea of criticism? In what specific ways do you see them as hurting themselves and trivial? Also, saying women are insignificant implies that you see men as more significant. Why do you think that, if you do?

Bob Wilson: To make life easier for Linda Lovelace's presidential campaign, I've decided to declare myself a noncandidate. Folks, I have no presidential aspirations whatsoever. But if the convention becomes deadlocked, I may be available.

Joy in struggle, Tyrone

AMPA, FLORIDA:
Dear People,

We are in the process of establishing counseling service for alternatives to traditional education and vocations for social change.

Please place us on your mailing list and send us as much literature as possible in order to enlighten our students to the choices that exist.

Thankyou, In Spirit, Common Learning Network, University of South Florida, Tampa, 33620

BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND:

Solidarity Collective has started an emergency fund to help the Portuguese libertarian and syndicalist (CGT) movement. Receipts for all donations will be sent to you. Make all checks out to M.Miller since our bank account is in his name.

Solidarity Collective, RWC South Room 346, Bristol, Rhode Island 02809

OBERLIN SRAF (Oberlin, Ohio):

Sam Dolgoff is scheduled to be in Oberlin on April 24 and 25 for workshops on Spain, Cuba, and workers' self-management. Folks interested in attending should contact the Oberlin SRAF so accommodations (fancy way of saying floor-space) can be arranged. We apologize for not having information on this sooner but such was not possible. Hope to see a few of you there-

Oberlin SRAF, c/o Box 182 OCMR, Oberlin OH 44074

PARIS, FRANCE:

Dear comrades,

We think that it's an essential necessity to strengthen the international relations between the anarchist organisations and anarchist papers, so we look for regular correspondents in every country, if possible, for "Le Monde Libertaire", the monthly of the Federation Anarchiste Francaise. We write at first to you in so far as anarchist organisation and anarchist paper; we offer to you to receive every month "News From France" published by the International Relations Secretary of the FAF for the anarchist papers throughout the world.

We can also complete these "News from France" by a study of a point that interest you particularly amongst the news of the passed month.

The information sent by the correspondents will, perhaps, not all be used in "Le Monde Libertaire", but will, in any case, supply news that will be diffused in our organisation giving to our comrades a complete view about the specific problems of other countries and a clear understanding of the international problems.

If you are interested, tell us what work could do this or these correspondents: what region he would write about; what subject he would deal with particularly.

Tell us also what you want to receive from us. We wait for your suggestions and ideas on this proposition.

Waiting a next answer,

FAF, Librairie Publico,
3 Rue Ternoux, 75011, Paris, France.

PS: you can write in english or french.

A CALL TO THE ANARCHISTS OF NEW YORK CITY
ON THE OCCASION OF THE
BAKUNIN CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

One of the major tasks of anarchists today is to make anarchism believable and to spread the idea as widely as possible. Organization is a necessary element if this is to be done in any effective way. In addition, there is need for a network among anarchists for communication, mutual aid, and defense.

The Social-Revolutionary Anarchist Federation (SRAF) is composed of approximately thirty groups on the North American continent - in both Canada and the United States. There are also several hundred individuals that consider themselves a part of SRAF.

The SRAFederation Bulletin, of which there has already been 49 issues, is a non-hierarchical means of communication in which contributions are printed according to certain open, clear, and fair rules without editorial censorship. The Bulletin performs an important function for anarchists to communicate with each other and thus develop a broad anarchist point of view relevant to our time. In addition, it serves as a means of mobilizing anarchist opinion for specific interests and projects.

There is also a new SRAF journal of anarchism, BLACK STAR, of which two issues have appeared and which is also organized on a nonhierarchical basis by participating SRAF groups.

SRAF activity is not limited to the Bulletin and BLACK STAR. Many of the SRAF groups have issued their own publications, for example, the Friends of Malatesta and SRAF #2 of Seattle. In addition, there have been coordinated actions by some of the SRAF groups.

Within the network of a continental anarchist federation, regional groups have an important task to fulfill. In a small geographic area, there can develop the face-to-face relationships that are essential to anarchist organization. Also, each region (however it defines itself) has specific problems and issues that might best be related to from a common anarchist point of view.

We, the undersigned two SRAF groups in New York City, call upon all anarchists in the metropolitan area to relate to SRAF by groups or individually and to form a SRAF regional coordinating committee in New York City.

The basic ideas that unite people throughout the whole continent in SRAF are contained in the SRAF Declaration, a clear statement of basic anarchist principles of collective self-management, voluntarism, antiauthoritarianism, and anticapitalism.

We recommend strongly that all groups and persons that read or hear this call join the anarchist network and get involved in a real sense in a free exchange of theory and practice. The anarchists have often been criticized for failure to do real work in real-life situations. Here is an opportunity for you to contribute to the formation of a regional anarchist group whose members will cooperate for purposes of outreach, communications, mutual aid, and defense.

HUNTER LIBERTARIAN ALLIANCE
FREESPACE ALTERNATE U
March 5, 1976

(A meeting has been called to organize a metropolitan New York SRAF coordinating committee, to plan a SRAF publication for the New York area, and to determine what sort of demonstration or action during the Democratic National Convention would best illustrate the anarchist point of view toward it. The time and place of the meeting with be: 7 p.m. at Hunter College on Monday, April 28th. The room is still to be chosen, but inquiries may be made at Room 139.)

ROSENDALE, N.Y.:

Sisters and Brothers,

Six members of the HAYMARKET collective attended the Bakunin Centennial Celebration in NYC on March 5th and came across your flyer proposing affiliation with SRAF. We read the declaration and your call and have come to the conclusion that there is no reason why our collective cannot join the SRAF federation.

Since our base of operations is about 100 miles north of NYC (covering Ulster and Dutchess counties in the New Paltz-Poughkeepsie area), we would find it impractical to have any more than peripheral relations to NYC. We are writing to you (Hunter Libertarian Alliance) since we have no other address to communicate with and no not whether there is a national

coordinating office, or what-have-you.

Your assistance in directing us to the right place to address our request to affiliate with SRAF would be appreciated.

As a point of information we explain that we are a small anarchocommunist collective composed of on-campus students, worker, farmer young and old male and female. We are only about a year old in organization and consider ourselves oriented towards action in our community. In fact, we have only recently begun to develop a much needed internal study group to develop us so we may act better.

We welcome open lines of communication and being kept informed of NYC affairs as we have on occasion traveled there in groups for affairs we felt warranted the long journey. (Long since working people need return the same night even on weekends!)

Ted Lee

HAYMARKET

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NEW YORK CITY:

Dear Jim:

Thank you for publishing the "Principles of Association" in bulletin #49. In fact this was one of the things that spurred us on in New York to get together a metropolitan SRAF group.

Actually this is the first time that I read the "Principles," so perhaps I can bring fresh ideas to bear on it. The first thing I am reminded of is the constitution of the Dutch Kabouters. The Kabouters, you remember, were the successors to the Provos and constituted a mass movement of the anarchist New Left in Amsterdam and other parts of Holland about five years ago. (See interviews in issues #2 and #3 of ROOTS magazine.)

But the point I was to make is that, since the Kabouter constitution was an anarchist constitution, anyone was allowed "to go outside of it" if they had good and necessary reasons to do so.

One thing we have always tried to do at Freespace Alternate U is not to make any theoretical decision until the practical situation forces it upon us. In other words, principles should grow out of practice and vice versa in a dialectical process. Therefore it seems to me that the organizational agreements should be regarded as

models out of which a SRAF organization is developing through trial and error.

For example, I suppose I could live with a system of voting in an anarchist assembly or committee, but I would not be happy with it. I would fear that it might lead to the dangers of majority rule or to the takeover by alien elements. I much prefer the alternative of consensus decisions in which the group attempts to resolve an issue by unanimity; but if this proves impossible all who disagree to have the right to have their opinions recorded as well; and further of course that no one should be expected to carry out a decision that they do not agree with.

In the first of the "Principles of Association," it says, "We are not political but antipolitical." This is one way to formulate the anarchist position, but I wonder if it would not be clearer to say, "We are political in the sense that politics is everyday life; we are antipolitical in the sense that we oppose those so-called politicians that pretend to represent us, lead us, and speak for us." The best definition of politics, it seems to me, is what one does with one's life day by day.

In the fourth principle, there seems to be a typo. It says, "therefore we lean (?) on civil disobedience...."

Also, in the fourth principle, it isn't clear to me whether the anarchist should renounce all cooperation with the state or rather should use the apparatus of the state to pull it down or let it wither away. It almost sounds as if we renounce the use of passports, but it certainly cannot mean this; how can we foster international solidarity if we cannot travel from place to place? My belief is that the state should be accepted as an objective fact - just as one would accept objectively a robber with a gun without agreeing with the purpose of that robber. For example, how could this bulletin be done without accepting the U.S. Post Office as an objective fact? It seems to me that the error of the Spanish anarchists in the Civil War was in joining the government; it would have been better for them to have accepted the government as an objective fact but to have dealt with it from an outside position.

In any case, we in New York are very much into the idea of a continental congress/assembly/conference around Labor Day in the Midwest.

Bob Palmer

AGITATIONAL MATERIALS RECEIVED:

BLACK ROSE BOOKS, 3934 St. Urbain St., Montreal, Quebec: 1976 Book List.

"In Search of Truth", an allegorical drama by Michael Tobin, Box 10638, Amsterdam, Holland. (also from the same address): Hapotec Newsletter detailing international actions requested in support of prisoners in the West Indies, Ireland, Finland and Oklahoma.

The Federation #1, A Libertarian Socialist Bulletin. c/o 164-38 76 Ave., Fresh Meadows, NY 11366

Liberecana ligilo, bulteno de la liberecana frakcio de SAT, c/o Pelle Persson, Svartvikswagen 14, S-123 52 FARSTA, Sweden

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Someone also sent us a clipping from an English language paper in Bangkok:

For more than 5 months, 80 women workers of a strike-bound jean factory in Bangkok have been running the first "worker's commune" in Thailand. They are using factory equipment to produce jeans, jackets and shirts while awaiting settlement of their dispute.

Students and other activists including the National Student Centre of Thailand (NSCT) have been helping the strikers with legal advice and raw materials. The students also take jeans back to school where they are "sold like hotcakes"

Strike demands include better wages and welfare benefits. The company has 4 factories in Thailand and one each in Singapore, Malaysia and Hong Kong. Miss Niyom Khanto, one of the strike leaders in the Trok Chand "commune" says "We have helped the owner, Mr. Ueng, build and expand his factories with our hard labour.... So we felt that we should benefit from our own sweat." Her income is about US\$1.40 per day. A pair of Hara jeans costs about \$4.99 when sold by the owner. The "commune" sells them for \$4 a pair. The strikers have renamed the factory "Worker's Unity and are selling shares at \$1 each. The money will be invested in production and returned later without dividend.

BARF (Boston Anarchist Records and Files), 229 Western Ave., Cambridge, MA 02139 is planning to issue reprints of rare or little known about anarchist literature. They have already issued a reprint from Emma Goldman entitled "Was My Life Worth Living". They ask 25¢ donation.

Mountain View SRAF (Mountain View, CA):

I saw a historical simulation game entitled "The Spanish Civil War", which was designed to simulate primarily the military aspects of that war, but also simulates some of the major social and political decisions. I was disappointed to find the designers of the game entirely ignored the participation and importance of the anarchists in that struggle, so I wrote a letter-article to the company which produced the game and outlined some rule alterations to enable players to simulate the participation of the anarchists also. Some time later, I received complimentary copy of the game which I found had been re-issued & re-designed in order to accommodate my suggested revisions. (In all fairness, my addition was not the only improvement: they also added a one-piece map-board of 22"x29" dimension and printed in 2 colors. They also added a plastic zip-lock bag to contain the game and plenty of die-cut card-board playing pieces printed in - colors. The game sells for \$5 plus 50¢ postage & handling direct from the company. I won't give their address because I have these copies (6 of them) which I will sell and use the money for our publishing. If you want one of these games (mostly for arm-chair revolutionaries), I will send them immediately upon receipt of your order. If I get more than I can handle, I'll forward your order to the company.

Freequally, Jim Bumpas

MAY DAY (Chicago, Illinois):

SRAF comrades,

Too bad abt the Makhno Brigade's "collapse". Of special interest (to me) is the "disagreements betw Anarchists and Libertarian Communists" (quoting M. Hazur's letter in #50). Were the disputes "political" or personal? When "poli" & "pers" overlap is positive, that's great; when nega., the issues tend to get blurred and often impossible to resolve. The MB's demise is esp. disappointing a contrasting "note" (musical) to a new libertarian socialist (1-s) "rhythm" of "concerted" energies that are blending together across N.Amer. & elsewhere. For that reason alone, i'd be interested in knowing more of the MB's previous "disagreements"; maybe others (we too) can "prophet" by their (MB's) experiences.

As for that "1-s" "rhythm" i mentioned: A. SYNTHESIS#2 impressed me greatly; i hope to write something for it soon. B. The latest Phila. Solidarity NEWSLETTER talked abt PS's NL pooling resources & responsibilities with SYNTHESIS (and the League for Economic

democracy, its publishers), which i think is an extremely good thing. C. There's even aspirations ("rumors") of starting a nat'l continental(?) l-s organization (federation?) but i would not want to see another SDS-type onstrosity (which i stayed with until "Wea-herman"), i'm supportive of attempts to coordinate l-s actions (activities) over ever larger areas, provided (of course) that local projects aren't sacrificed or dangerously diminished. Toward the possible development of such a l-s organization (or toward its rejection after thoro discussion), there's one or-sure nat'l conf in Iowa in May, and possibly another later on in mid-summer, maybe in Chicago after the IWW convention, since like-minded comrades will already be gathered here anyhow. (Or, possibly better would be before the IWW convention.) Regardless, his idea of a larger action-oriented nat'l org's'n sh'd be thoroly discussed by all who desire a broad coalition of l-s tendencies and wish to release the energies thereof as constructively as possible.

Je-f's "Workers' Study Group" is a fine proposal to raise class-conscious issues as they relate to the everyday activities of working people. Hopefully this project may reinforce SRAP's social orientation and allow anti-capitalists a (compact, concise) forum in which to discuss tactics and strategies against capital's manyheadedness. Being unemployed myself, i can't donate material, but can learn from others. Maybe WSG can be broad enuf to include activities of the unemployed and/or people's projects via community-neighborhood organizing. If WSG cannot include such projects, then maybe we (ie others, maybe us, MayDay) can set up a parallel Community Study Group idea within the SRAP Bull. Particulars, one way or another, can be worked out later on.

It's Spring(!), +i'm feeling all the rushes of this revival of my optimism-- political, social, even economic! Time to kindle myself in the flame of activity + action! For reasons of poor health and weak physiology, i hibernate in cold weather, and boom in the Spring!

The last 2 weekends, Susan + i've been at Dad's getting our car fixed-up, as cheaply as possible--of course. But good enuf to withstand at least a few long hauls. Soon plan to visit MN. And in May, to Des Moines--with Tyrone + his 2 apt-mates, Tia + Joa. (I'm glad to be working with Tyrone on various l-s activities + also seeing him re-over a chessboard! It's good to see him + iting to SRAP Bull + Synthesis too. We n't always agree, but we always are able to

talk out our differences in comradely ways.)

In Jan. '76, i wrote to the FBI abt my file(s) under the so-called FreedomOfInformation Act. After 2 mos., 66 letters, & for \$10.70 (that is 10¢ a page for "duplication costs"), i finally got a bundle of A. misinformation; B. irrelevancies from 4-5 years ago; C. one page from 1974 + none from 1975; D. 3 or 4 copies of A & B; and E. a good 1/3 of total-page-surface (excluding margins, headings, etc.) was censored. Easily, D&E comprised over 1/2 of whatever "information" i had "freedom" to. I'm feeling ambiguous as to whether it was all worth it or not. At 10¢ a page, it was definitely not worth it, & that's not counting the costs for registering letters, for notary-public verification of signatures, + other hassles. For me personally, since i already knew (for sure) the FBI had a file on me, it wasn't worth the effort; but if one is unsure about being FBI-filed-away, then maybe it'd be an acceptable risk--i say "risk" becuz: if the Feds don't have something on you already, they'll start a file right away. 1st come, 1st served(up); after all, your "paranoia" is worth their looking into! (maybe Clarence Kelley thinks this person has a reason to fear an investigation. Then, again, maybe Clarence Kelley does not think!)

Speaking of "thinking" (or not thinking) after long deliberation (strange word: deliberation), Susan + i rejected for the 1st time an article to layout for Black Star; so, instead of 2 articles, we only sent one to MILSRAP. Hope it gets there ok; the "US Mail" isn't for shit nowadays; private mailing services (like UPS, Air Express, + even Greyhound) are making profits becuz the "US Postal Service" (tho not an official govt agency, still) thinks like a bureaucracy. It's title and status may be "private" or "semi-private", but it still functions (as before) like a machine with maple syrup in its cogs & gears.

As the twin dinosaurs of private Capital and Public Controls slowly grind to a halt, my only fear is "how many people will be crushed under the weight of the 2 cancerous corpses."

Seeking to be free + equal, always, Freeequally, Dean of MayDay

Chrysalis Books, Box 160943, Sacramento, CA 95816 has issued their new catalog.

RESURGENCE (Cook County Illinois):

We (Cook County SRAF) would like to inform everyone that we've moved. Also we decided to change our group name. From now on we'll be: RESURGENCE, Box 801, Evanston, IL 60204. We had to get a box in Evanston since they're few and far between in Chicago. Anyone wishing to visit is advised to drop us a line a few weeks in advance. The purpose for the name change is primarily to signify that we don't represent Chicago area Srafeds, but only ourselves. It doesn't mean that our perspective has changed or that we're trying to renig on any of our previous commitments.

In Sraf bull #50, Bob Wilson raises some objections to my critique of Tuckerian economics. Since he chose to number his objections I'll answer them accordingly:

1A: I think Bob looks upon space travel as a panacea for deep seated problems. Space travel is an energy & resource consuming endeavor, so much so that any attempt to carry it out on the mass scale suggested would probably entail a net loss of resources, especially during a period when it can least be afforded. Also it's surprising that one who so fears monolithic institutions could suggest such a plan. Space travel is so extremely capital/resource intensive that only monolithic institutions can hope to carry it out.

1B: Bob is co-rect when he observes that energy (and matter) can't be destroyed, but this is only on the theoretical level. According to the laws of thermodynamics, all energy utilization involves an energy loss, which isn't readily retriavable. So maybe all those resources will gradually be reintroduced within the next million years or so, but the human species could become extinct in that time.

2A: Yes there is a tendency for all species to overbreed, but there always exists other environmental factors to keep the size of the population under control (eg, predators, unhatched eggs, etc). When these controlling factors are removed, the population quickly overbreeds to the point that most of the population dies from starvation. Thus there's always a natural limit to this process, the latter case being somewhat drastic--in the case of economic units, the exhaustion of most natural resources.

2B: This is probably so, but it'd represent the failure of Spooner & Tucker's economies to attain their goal. If production units become finite, there'd be a limit to the ability of an individual or group to start their own production center and provide an alternative to existing facilities (ie, a monopoly would exist).

2C: I'd just as soon ignore them.

3A: Perhaps Bob misunderstood. In my original letter I was speaking of the laws of competition, as they apply to economic organizations (organisms), not the human species per se. So I was dealing with inter-species relationships not intra-species relationships. It might be interesting to note, however, that species which have a great deal of intra-species competition are usually at a disadvantage when they are also involved in inter-species affairs.

3B: The primary reason which they offered were unlimited competition especially in regard to credit.

3C: This is probably more a semantic criticism than anything else. Spooner and Tucker did indeed call themselves socialist. This, however, doesn't make them socialists. The Nazis of the 3rd Reich also called themselves socialists yet are we to accept their self-definition at face value? Since in my opinion, private ownership/control of the means of production is an integral part of capitalism (and diametrically opposed to social ownership), I regard Spooner & Tucker as essentially capitalist in spite of whatever sympathies they might have had with workers. A true socialist economy is one in which workers manage and operate the means of production solely for the purpose of satisfying the basic material needs of society. It does not mean that the workers in a particular factory own and operate that factory for their own profit.

Likewise, John Krug's letter seemed interesting. It's for reasons of reality that we mustn't be seduced into the conventional unionizing trip. Let's face it, Landrum-Griffith, Taft-Hartley, NLRB, were not created for the benefit of the workers. Govt regulation of the unions exists in order to keep the unions in their narrow role as organized labor pimpery. It requires a great deal of naivete to think that the IWW, by reason of its ideology, would be able to maintain a large membership & a revolutionary stance while complying with all the govt regulations. The problem with wage demands is that it's hard (if not impossible) to make rebel workers on such a basis. To fight for bi-ger wages on the one hand and the abolition of the wages system on the other represents something of a contradiction, at least to me. But what do I know? I'm just one of those workers that help build your highways, which bring the food and phonograph records to your neighborhood.

The tactics John Krug suggests represent underground wobblyism, since it's the purpose of the IWW to abolish the wages system. I'd suggest John try getting up on a soapbox at work and exhort his fellow workers to take over their workplace. How -one do you think you'd remain on the job? The fact of the matter is that trade unionism is tolerable to the boss sometimes, revolutionary unionism never is.

I'd imagine that regardless of what we in the IWW decide to do, will have little effect on the nature of the workers' struggle. At this very moment workers in the coal mines of West Virginia and in the auto plants of Detroit, as well as workshops across the country, are daily fighting a running guerrilla war against the system. These conflicts range from simple acts of sabotage to massive wild cat strikes where they must not only fight the boss but their union bosses as well. The only thing the IWW could do would be to help these workers develop their actions or hinder them by hammering them into "realistic" demands. So far only the Leninists have seen the potential, which is why they swarm around these places like the buzzards they are. As yet the IWW simply ignores them.

For the Shirks, Jeff
from Resurgence

DUNDEE, SCOTLAND:

Dear Friends and Sisters,

Enclosed is one copy of our Libertarian Women's Network Newsletter (vol.2, #3). Can we put me in touch with any libertarian/anarcho feminists in your area?

Alison Malet
1 Lynnewood Place
Dundee, Angus, Scotland

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

The Surrealists are holding their first World Exhibition since 1961 and "the greatest ever held in any country". The exhibition will open May 1, 1976 at the Gallery Black Swan, 500 North LaSalle St., (2nd floor) in Chicago. It's closed Monday and Tuesday; admission is \$1.50.

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In 1976, for the first time we have been required by the IRS to file a corporate income tax return and to pay any taxes due. As you can see, we have no taxable income, so did not pay any. We are considering a move to apply for non-profit status, but this will still require the filing of IRS returns. Can anyone give us some guidance on this question?

SRAfprint (Mountain View, Ca):

I just received notice that the company which produces the Spanish Civil War game is raising their price to \$7 a copy. I will still sell it for \$5 a copy, especially since they said they are sending me 6 more copies.

Jim Bumpas

PS: for agitational purposes, we (SRAfprint Box 4091, Mountain View, Ca 94040) have the following materials:

Buttons: "US Out of North America!", "Liberterrean", Black Star on Red field, SRAf membership button. All buttons are 10¢ each to SRAf members; 25¢ to others. We also have the following pamphlets: "The Anarchist Solution to the Problem of Crime"; (SRAf New Directions Series); "Smash Violence", by Malatesta; "Spanish Triangle" by Dan Family; "Rebellion", excerpts from Bakunin; "The Sexual Revolution", by M. Brinton on W. Reich; "Rise & Fall of the Spectacular Commodity Economy"; "Revolutionary Govt", by Kropotkin; "Zionism & Palestine"; "IWW Introductory pamphlet".

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